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REDUCING CPU OVERHEAD IN THE FORWARDING PROCESS

Attorney Docket No. CISCP054

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MESSAGE:

Please feel free to contract me regarding the filed amendment at your earliest convenience.

Thank you,

Elise Heilbrunn



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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

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Sir:

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Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

The fee has been calculated as shown below.

	Claims After Amendment		Highest Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Small Entity Rate Fee	Large Entity Rate Fee
Total Claims	54	MUNUS	44	10	x9 =	x 18 = 180
Independent Claims	9	MINUS	7	2	x 40 =	x 80 = 160
Multiple Dependent Claim Present and Fee Not Previously Paid					\$135.00	\$270.00
				Total	\$	\$340

Applicant(s) hereby petition for a _____ extension(s) of time to respond to the

aforementioned Office Action.

Applicant(s) believe that no (additional) Extension of Time is required; however, if it is determined that such an extension is required, Applicant(s) hereby petition that such an extension be granted and authorize the Commissioner to charge the required fees for an Extension of Time under 37 CFR 1.136 to Deposit Account No. 500388.

Enclosed is our Check No. <u>4765</u> in the amount of \$340 to cover the additional claim fee and/or extension of time fees.

Please charge the required fees, or any additional fees required to facilitate filing the enclosed response, to Deposit Account No. 500388 (Order No. CISCP054).

Respectfully submitted,

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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL

Assistant Commissioner for Patent Washington, D. C. 20231

Sir:

The following remarks are provided in response to the Office Action dated June 27, 2001. Both a marked-up copy of the claims and a clean replacement copy of the claims are provided for the convenience of the Examiner.

In the CLAIMS:

Please ADD new claims as follows:

45. (New) The method as recited in claim 2, further comprising:

when the interrupt is asserted, transferring the one of the plurality of inbound queues to the outbound queue or an outbound controller associated with the outbound queue.

